THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) Director of Food Corporation of India, vide his letter dated 15-10-1994, has requested for cancellation of the balance imports of sugar being undertaken by State Trading Corporation of India/Minerals & Metals Trading Corporation Ltd. Mainly on the grounds of delay in the arrivals of imported sugar, improvement in the availability of sugar, better prospects for the current season etc.

(c) and (d) The decision to allow import of sugar under Open General Licence has been taken after considering all aspects, including the foreign exchange position.

Changing Location of Establishment of Kaveri Vibhag Sahakari Khand Udyog Mandli Limited

2771. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL : Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether there is a proposal from Gujarat State for change of the location for establishment of Kaveri Vibhag Sahakari Khand Udyog Mandli Limited. Chikhali, District Valsad ;

(b) if so, at which stage the proposal is lying ; and

(c) by when, the matter is likely to be finalised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. The proposal of M/s Kaveri Vibhag Sahakari Khand Udyog Mandli Limited for change of location from Khata-Amba, Taluka-Vansada, district Valsad to Sadadvel, Taluka-Chikhali, district Valsad for establishment of a new sugar factory in the State of Gujarat has since been rejected by the Ministry of Industry, Department of Industrial Development.

Allocation of Levy Sugar Quota on Population Basis

2772. SHRIMATI ANANDIBEN JETHABHAI PATEL :
SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering to allot the levy sugar quota on the basis of actual population as per 1991 census and also allow growth rate for increase in population during subsequent years for additional adhoc allocation to the States ;

(b) if so, from when ;

(c) if not, whether Government propose to restore adhoc allocation of 5% which was discontinued from April, 1994 onwards ; and

(d) whether Government are considering for extra allocation for the areas covered under Revamped Public Distribution System with a view to have smooth distribution of levy sugar in remote areas of the States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD (SHRI KALP NATH RAI) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. There is not such proposal under consideration of the Government at present.

(c) and (d) No, Sir.

गेहूं और चावल का भंडार

2773. **श्री राघवजी** : क्या खाद्य मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंग कि :

(क) 31 अक्तूबर, 1994 की स्थिति के अनुसार सरकार के पास गेहूं और चावल के भंडारों का ब्यौरा क्या है :

(ख) क्या यह सच है कि ये भंडार पिछले कुछ वर्षों में उपलब्ध भंडारों से कहीं ज्यादा हैं, यदि हां, तो पिछले तीन वर्षों के तुलनात्मक आंकड़ें क्या हैं ;

(ग) वर्ष 1994 में उक्त भंडारों में से कितनी मात्रा उचित भंडारण के अभाव में नष्ट हो गयी थी ; और

(घ) अधिक समय तक खाद्यान्नों के भंडारण के परिणामस्वरूप उनमें जो खराबी आती है, उससे बचने के लिए उक्त भंडार के वितरण अथवा विक्रय संबंधी सरकार की भावी योजनाएं क्या-क्या हैं ?

खाद्य मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री कल्प नाथ राय): (क) और (ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान केन्द्रीय पूल में खाद्यान्नों के स्टाक की स्थिति निम्नानुसार है :—

(मिलियन मीटरी टन में)

स्थिति के अनुसार	चावल	गेहूं	मोटे अनाज	जोड़
31 अक्तूबर, 1991 . . .	6.98	7.38	नगण्य	14.36
31 अक्तूबर, 1992(अ०) . . .	6.51	4.03	नगण्य	10.54